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The Mammoth Religion of the World.

The tourist, roaming over the sunny lands of the East, cannot but gaze with admiring wonder on the gorgeous temple edifices that everywhere meet the eye. Even amid the superlative richness of tropical scenery they stand conspicuous—their slender, gilded spires towering upward, often hundreds of feet, till they seemed lost in the blue ether; their tinted tiles of green and gold, reflecting as by a prism all the colors of the rainbow; and their myriads of tiny, tinkling bells, pendant from every turret and gable of the vaulted roof, breathing out sweet music at each touch of the passing breeze. Nowhere else, not even on their own magnificent palaces, or the gorgeous abodes of their kings, do Orientals so lavish time and money, taste and skill, as on the temples of their gods. Amid the wealth of luxuriance the Divine Creator has scattered so plentifully around, these seem in perfect accord—monuments of a devotion and self-sacrifice that challenge our admiration, even while awakening pity for a zeal so sadly misapplied. Never were devotees of any creed or faith so fast bound in its thrall as are these disciples of Buddha or Gaudama; while this mammoth religion numbers as its votaries more than five hundred and fifty millions of human beings, or nearly half the population of our globe! For some two thousand five hundred years it has been the established religion of Burmah, Siam, Laos, Pegu, Cambodia, Tibet, Japan, Tartary, Ceylon, the Loo Choo and many neighboring islands, besides about two-thirds of China and a large portion of Siberia; and at the present day no inconsiderable number of the simple peasantry of Swedish Lapland are found among its firm adherents. Buddhism, in its pure form, undoubtedly had its origin in Hindoostan, where its founder was born; and thence, by the almost super-human efforts of its priests and devotees, it was scattered far and wide all through eastern, middle, and southern Asia. When Mohammedanism was first introduced into Java, the people were all Buddhists; and they clung to their established religion with a tenacity that even the fire and sword of the false prophet were in many cases incapable of subduing. In Hindoostan, within a few centuries after the death of Gaudama, we find the Brahmins fiercely persecuting the Buddhists, and ultimately expelling them from the country; yet to this day, despite the deadly malignity of the Brahmins, the persecutions waged against Buddhism by Mohammedans, and the combined prayers and efforts of all Christendom, no decisive victory has been achieved over this mighty host. Some thousands have been converted to Christianity, but the loss is made good by births from year to year; though it is true that as western civilization progresses the higher class, and in many cases even the priests themselves, are losing their hold on the doctrines of Buddhism, and modifying their temple worship by some admixture of occidental if not Christian observances.—*Fannie Roper Feudge, in September Galaxy.*

A LITTLE JUDICIOUS PRAISE.—No heart is insensible to words of praise, or the kindly smile of approbation; and none are utterly alone being affected by censure or blame. Children are particularly sensitive in this respect. Nothing can discourage a child more than a spirit of incessant fault finding; and perhaps nothing can exert a more beneficial influence upon both parent and child. If your little one, through the day, has been pleasant and obedient, and you say to him, "my son, you have been good to-day, and it makes me very happy," and if, with more than a usually affectionate embrace, you say, "God night, my dear child," a throb of suppressed feeling fills his breast, and he resolves on always earning such approval. If your young son or daughter have accomplished some difficult piece of work, rendering you essential assistance; or have climbed some steep in the daily drill of study; or have acquired some new accomplishment, or added grace, or, better than all, have gained the victory over some bad habit or besetting sin—acknowledge it, see it, praise them for it. Let them see by your added tenderness the deep joy and comfort it gives you. Thus you will create a great incentive to right conduct, and lay a broad foundation for a character which shall be redolent with succulent fruit and fragrant blossoms.—*Templar's Mag.*

THE SILK TRADE.—In the last monthly circular of the American Silk Association, which contains some interesting and valuable statistics of the silk trade in this country, the remarkable fact is presented that the importation of the raw silk has largely been transferred from New York to San Francisco. The reason of this seeming change of course is to be found in the fact that since the construction of the Union Pacific railroad, silk coming, as most of it does, from Asia and the East India Islands will find its natural entrance on the western side of the continent. As hitherto it reaches the eastern States, but by a different route. Before 1870 the silk importations at San Francisco were hardly worth mentioning, while in the September report of that year the importation there was only one hundred and twenty packages, valued at \$60,000, against four hundred and thirty-five packages, valued at \$315,962, received at New York. For the same month the next year the figures were reversed; the importations at San Francisco were valued at \$461,000, while those at New York were \$177,277. September, 1872, the values stood \$893,925 at San Francisco, New York \$202,586.

PRETTY BOOT.—The latest pretty thing in vogue for ladies' wear is the "cavalier boot." It is very much like an ordinary button boot from the ankle down, but it is much higher in the leg and from the top there turns a fancifully-colored and ornamentally stitched leather apron, so to speak, which reaches the instep, and is quite loose and of a delicate air, in imitation of the cavalier boot worn in olden times. It conceals the ankle, it is true, but it gives the foot a very pretty look, which more than repays the ankle disfigurement.

THE CULTURE OF SUMAC.—General Beauregard has written to a gentleman of Richmond making inquiry as to the profits likely to arise from the systematic culture of sumac. The General has heard of the income derived by Virginia from this plant, growing wild, and thinks that it might be made to supplant the sugar-cane, which cannot be much longer cultivated profitably in Louisiana.

FANCY GOODS AND NOTIONS.

GREEN'S
MAMMOTH NOTION HOUSE,
AND
REAL HAIR GOODS MANUFACTORY.
ALEXANDRIA, VA.

LARGEST HOUSE AND STOCK OF THE KIND SOUTH OF NEW YORK.

1873 FALL & WINTER 1874

LADIES' GENTS' & CHILDREN'S FURNISHING GOODS, OF FOREIGN & DOMESTIC MAKE.

With such large quantities of rich and elegant goods, unprecedented in low prices, I cannot fail to induce a heavy trade from every section of the country. If your merchants do not have the goods you require, send to MAILING DEPARTMENT of this house for them. Light weight goods mailed postage paid.

Silks, Satins, Scarfs, Sashes, Silk Velvets and Velveteens, Zephyr Worsteds, Embroidery Materials, Real Laces, French Jewelry, Head Ornaments, Dress Trimmings, Men's Underwear, Hosiery, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Corsets, Hoop Skirts, Crapes, Veils and Collars, Velvet and Leather Belts, Bustles, Gents' Dress Shirts and Cotton and Linen Underwear in stock and made to order; Collars, Cravats, Suspenders, Socks, &c., &c.

NOTIONS AND TOYS BEING ENUMERATION.

REAL HAIR DEPARTMENT

A WONDERFUL SUCCESS.
THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS' WORTH OF THE BEST FRENCH HAIR.

of the most beautiful shades imaginable, in stock, which is manufactured under my supervision by a corps of experienced Hair Workers (call and see the processes of manufacture)—the most stylish Braids, Switches, Curls, Puffs, Chignons, Frizzies, &c., that taste and skill can devise.

Over one hundred thousand Price Lists printed, the free distribution of which has induced orders from almost every State in the Union, and goods sent invariably elicit satisfactory responses.

COMBINGS made up promptly into any design, and no substitution of inferior for good hair, consequently no imposition upon customers by supplying hair (that generally will not stand combing) rotted by pomatums or burnt by curling irons. My prices for first class work and goods are lower than can be found in the U. S.

Work and material guaranteed, and money refunded immediately, if not satisfactory.

No humbugging indulged in or deception practiced.

For reference, inquire of any citizen of Alexandria, or to the editor of any paper in Northern or Western Virginia.

Price Lists sent to any address on request.

CHARLES W. GREEN,
LOCK BOX 12, ALEXANDRIA, VA.
(Country papers advertising for me will please insert in space paid for the above.)

GREEN'S REAL HAIR GOODS MANUFACTORY.

HAIR AT WHOLESALE.
HAIR AT WHOLESALE.

With a large force of skilled Hair Workers, I am now prepared to furnish dealers with all styles of Real and Imitation Hair Goods at New York factory prices. Large quantities of the best French Prepared Hair, of all colors, (no dyed hair) as well as Grey Hair of all lengths, which I manufacture into Switches, Braids, Curls, Puffs, Frizzies, &c., &c., and sell at least 33 per cent less than they can be bought in New York.

TAKE NOTICE.—I do not buy or exchange Domestic Hair, as my customers would undoubtedly be the losers by so doing, as nearly all native hair is injured more or less by injurious pomades, curling irons, crimping, &c., &c., and Switches, Curls, &c., made of such hair will soon reduce in size by breakage in use.

In adding hair to special orders, to which particular attention is given, nothing but the best hair is used, and ladies or merchants always get what they order. Hair Goods mailed, postage paid, to any address in the United States.

CHARLES W. GREEN,
No. 70 King street.

NEW FALL GOODS.

I now have in all my FALL GOODS, which consist in part of: Zephyr Worsteds and German Wool, in all colors; Fine Balmoral Yarn, in all colors; Canvas, of every description; Silk and Worsteds Embroidery Braids; Fancy Worsteds Embroidery, the best selection in town; Ladies' Neckties, and Fancy Ribbons, something new; Opera, Puff and White Flannels; Ladies', Gents' and Children's Underwear; five different kinds of Corsets; Ladies' and Children's Cotton and Woolen Hosiery, and bargains in Shawls and everything belonging to a first class Notion House, cheap at 150 King street.

ADOLPH DIEDEL,
oct 2-1m

MORE NEW GOODS.

HOOP SKIRTS AND BUSTLES.
HOSIERY, full line of seasonable goods.
SUSPENDERS.
RUBBER CLOTH.
COTTON EDGINGS AND TUCKINGS.
STAMPED YOKES, BANDS, &c.
EMBROIDERY SILKS.
LINEN FLOSS, STAR BRAIDS, &c.
LACE COLLARS, RUCHES and Ruffles.
WINDSOR SCARFS and RIBBONS.
VELL BEVERE.
BUTTON MOULDS, all sizes.
JEWELRY, largest assortment in the city.

HAIR GOODS! HAIR GOODS! Real and imitation, cheaper than ever offered in this or any other city. Call and examine before purchasing elsewhere.

J. Ferguson's Hair Depot,
sep 26 66 KING STREET.

DRY GOODS.

NEW FALL GOODS.

I am now receiving my Fall Goods, consisting in part of the following: Kid Gloves for ladies and gents, the largest assortment ever offered in this city, at prices from \$1 to \$2.35 a pair; Cambric Edging and Insertings, beautiful patterns and very cheap; Scarf and Sash Ribbons, in great variety; Corsets of several kinds and of the best quality; Germantown Wools, all shades; Yarns in white, blue and black mixed, red, &c., of the best quality and full weight; Satin and Worsteds Caps and Bonnets for infants; Gimpure Silk; Thread and Cotton Laces, in great variety; Buttons, Gimps, Fringes, Velvet Ribbon, Val-de-ven, &c., for Dress Trimmings; Plain and Embroidered Linen Collars and Cuffs; Handkerchiefs, at all prices; Alpaca and Gingham Umbrellas; Knitting Cottons; Rubber Cloth; Oil Silk; Combs and Brushes; Ladies' and Children's Underwear; Gills and Rubber Jewelry, and every article usually found in a first class dry store.

C. C. BECKY,
oct 7 72 King street.

SEASONABLE DRY GOODS.

AT
ROBERT L. WOOD'S.

Water-proof Cloth, in all the new colors of Blue, Green, Brown and Black; Sequing Flannels, in Black, Blue, Scarlet, Orange and Red; Also Plaid Flannels, in seven different varieties, beautiful goods; Velveteens, Black, Blue, Maroon and Purple, for cloaks and dress trimmings; Tycoon Repps, for Robes and Morning Wrappers, with a general assortment of goods in our line.

No. 62 KING STREET.

NEW GOODS!

Bed Blankets, Fancy Casimeres for suits, Full Cloths, Sateens, Red Flannels, White Flannels, Stuffed Flannels for Shirts, Linseys, Brown and Bleached Cottons, &c., just received by

W. M. N. BARKLEY,
64 King street.

REPELLANTS.

Waterproofs, in Blue, Black, Green and Grey, at all prices; a beautiful piece of Navy Blue English do, very cheap; just received at

D. F. WITMER CO'S.

WATERPROOF CLOTHS.—Another supply just received.

D. F. WITMER CO.

NEW GOODS!

AT
R. L. WOOD'S, No. 62 King street.

Now receiving our FALL GOODS, which embrace a full stock of SEASONABLE DRY GOODS.

Cash buyers would do well to examine our assortment. Being in the market every week, we will be receiving additions throughout the season.

NEW FALL DRESS GOODS.

We are now opening our stock of new goods, and would invite an examination of them. You will find all of the New Colors in Patterns, Cashmeres, Repps, Empress Cloths, Irish Poplins, French Merinos, Mohairs, Alpaca, &c., and of grades and prices to suit every one. A very large line of BLACK SILKS. No one need go away from home to find an assortment of Dress Goods, and we know they can't find them cheaper.

Call and see them.

D. F. WITMER CO.

YARNS!

Having just received my first consignment of the above goods, I invite the attention of purchasers. My Yarns are of the same make which I have been selling for twenty years, and are superior to any brought to this city by others. Buyers will find it to their interest to purchase now, as this Yarn is scarce and the price advancing daily.

C. C. BECKY,
72 King street.

SCHOOL BOOK HEADQUARTERS

For the Fall and Winter, 1873.

FRENCH'S,
No. 95 King street, Alexandria, Va.

DEPOSITORY OF BOOKS FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF VIRGINIA.

A FULL STOCK OF BOTH SERIES ON HAND.

For Private Schools, Academies, Colleges and Seminaries. All the leading Text Books in common use. A full cargo of LIVERPOOL GROUND ALUM SALT.

In store: 3000 SACS LIVERPOOL G. A. SALT, and 2500 VERDIN & SON'S FACTORY-FILLED FINE SALT. For sale by

W. A. SMOOT,
Smoot's wharf.

BUCK'S BRANDY!

Being desirous of placing the best quality pure Brandy in the hands of the people, we have had some samples put up in half pint bottles, which we are now selling at 50c each. Persons in want of a pure article for medicinal purposes had better call on

COOK & CREIGHTON,
107 King street.

HOMINY CHOP

IS A
RICH AND CHEAP FOOD FOR HORSES AND COWS.

GEORGE R. HILL & CO.,
oct 6 76 KING STREET.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

ENGLISH RUBBERS!

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

LADIES' FINE CALF KID AND RUSSIA LEATHER BUTTON BOOTS, Vienna style, At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

LADIES' PARLOR & TOILET SLIPPERS, Ladies' French Kid Broadway, Ladies' Lasting Broadway, Turkey Morocco Broadway, French Kid Toilet, Cassimere Toilet, Lasting Toilet, Serge and Carpet Slippers, in every style and quality.

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

LADIES' LASTING BOOTS. A large stock with a great variety of new styles, beautiful and very cheap.

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

NEW STYLES LADIES' GAITERS, At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

BURT'S FINE SHOES, FOR LADIES, MISSES AND CHILDREN, At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

LADIES' FINE SHOES, At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

LADIES' HANDSOME BUTTON BOOTS, At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

LADIES' FRENCH KID EMPRESS SHOES, Entirely new, At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

MISSES' LASTING BOOTS, IN EVERY STYLE, QUALITY AND PRICE, At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

MISSES' WALKING AND SCHOOL BOOTS. A large stock, in every style and quality. Prices low.

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

MISSES' FINE BUTTON BOOTS, At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

GENTLEMEN'S FINE DRESS BOOTS AND SHOES. A large stock of new styles, very handsome, of the best quality, and at low prices.

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

CHILDREN'S SCHOOL AND WALKING BOOTS. A large stock and great variety of styles, at very reduced prices.

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

INFANTS' BOOTS AND SLIPPERS. A fine stock, in every color, style and quality, at very reasonable prices.

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

BOYS' AND YOUTHS' DRESS SHOES. A good stock of new styles, of fine quality, and at low prices.

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

LADIES' HOUSE SHOES. Large stock and great variety, suitable for old ladies.

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

BOYS' AND YOUTHS' BOOTS, Kip and Calf, good and cheap.

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

LADIES' FINE WALKING BOOTS, At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

A LARGE STOCK OF HEAVY GOODS, suitable for the country, to which we invite the special attention of country merchants, as they will be sold very low for money.

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

A LARGE STOCK OF MISSES' COLORED BOOTS, of superior quality, which will be sold for less than cost.

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

We have a large assortment of LOW SHOES and SLIPPERS, out of style, which must be sold without regard to cost.

At WADDEY'S, 74 King street.

HAIR GOODS.

GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE.

83,700 WORTH OF REAL HAIR

AND—
HAIR GOODS.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

Daily additions to stock. Manufactured into any design ordered by a large corps of hair workers, who are in full view of all customers. Hair wholesaled at prices as low as any importing house in the country. No extra charge for special colors. Grey Hair at 25c per lb. less than any house in the country.

Hair Combing made into beautiful Switches, Braids, Curls, Puffs, Frizzies, &c., and if the work is not satisfactory no charge will be made. Goods sold or work done here kept in order for five years, which is an inducement offered by no other house in existence. Hair Goods mailed to any point in the United States, postage paid.

GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE,
76 King street.

ICE DEALERS.

ICE! ICE! ICE! A full supply of PRIME NORTHERN ICE constantly on hand and for sale at market rates. Consumers leaving their orders with me can depend upon obtaining the best and purest of BOSTON ICE and no other. Special attention paid to country orders.

F. A. REED, Agent,
No. 6 South wharves.

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BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOL.

MISS GWYNNE B. SLYE, formerly teacher of Mathematics at Patapsco Institute, will assist Miss Adam in her school. DAILY LESSONS IN FRENCH AND GERMAN without extra charge. TERMS FOR BOARDERS MODERATE, and payable by the month, quarter or half year. References Dr. Norton and Dr. Bullock. Other references given on application to Miss ELIZA C. ADAM, Alexandria, Va.

H. F. HENRY'S SCHOOL, On Alfred street, between King and Prince streets, in the second story of the Friendless Engine Building.

This SCHOOL FOR BOYS which has been in operation, with the exception of the years of the war, since the year 1857, will commence its next annual session on the 15th of SEPTEMBER. The terms of tuition, depending on branches taught, range from \$8 to \$12 per quarter in advance, with an extra charge of \$3 per quarter for tuition in either of the Ancient or Modern Languages.

The school room will be open after the 7th of September from 9 a. m. to 12 m. for the examination and classification of pupils wishing to enter the School.

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Episcopal High School of Virg'a.

NEAR ALEXANDRIA.

The 30th Annual Session of this School for Boys begins Sept. 21, 1873. Full corps of Assistants. Terms \$30 per year. No extras. Catalogue, with particulars, sent on application to the Principal.

L. M. BLACKFORD, M.A.,
Alexandria, Va.

NORWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

OPENS SEPTEMBER 15, 1873.

Address WM. D. ABELL, Principal,
jy 10-1f Norwood P. O. Nelson co., Va.

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JAMES H. DEVAUGHN,
Manufacturer and Dealer in

FURNITURE,
No. 130 King street,
Alexandria, Va.,

Looking Glasses, Hair, Cotton Top and Husk Mattresses, kept constantly on hand and made to order at reasonable prices.

In order to secure prompt attention orders should be addressed to

JAMES H. DEVAUGHN,
my 18-1f No. 130 King street.

FINEST WAREHOUSES IN THE SOUTH.

WM. H. MUIR & SON,
Manufacturers of

FURNITURE,
141 and 143 King street,
Alexandria, Virginia.

A large and fine stock always on hand. jae 25

STEPHEN A. GREEN. JAMES E. GREEN.

GREEN & BROS.

Steam Furniture Works & Saw Mill, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Having fitted up our factory with the latest and most approved machinery, we are prepared to furnish all kinds of HOUSE, OFFICE and SCHOOL FURNITURE at the very lowest rates; and are also prepared to do all kinds of SAWING and TURNING, MOULDING, PLANING and CARVING in our line.

Wanted, in exchange for the Furniture, Walnut, Poplar, Oak, Maple Birch and Cedar Logs, je 8-1f

PURE VIRGINIA RYE AND WHEAT WHISKIES.

We have in store and for sale a few barrels of PURE RYE and WHEAT WHISKY, of our own production, made at our Distillery in May, 1868.

An assorted stock of MOORE'S PURE RYE and BOURBON WHISKIES always in stock.

The above WHISKIES are made from the finest selected grain, double copper distilled, and are sold in and from the original packages only. They are thereby enabled to get a pure undistorted article, and this is a point well worthy of consideration.

E. E. DOWNHAM & CO.,
sep 2-6m Alexandria, Va.

HARDWARE, CUTLERY, &c.

FALL TRADE, 1873.

The subscribers have commenced receiving, at 88 King street, on the corner of Royal street, Alexandria, Va., their Fall supply, embracing all the new and beautiful goods in their line, to which they invite the attention of purchasers. Our stock was purchased at lowest cash prices, and will be sold, wholesale and retail at a small advance. Call and see; it will cost nothing to enquire.

J. T. CREIGHTON & SON,
sep 10 88 King street.

REDUCTION IN PRICE OF McCLURE'S PATENT BACK CHAIN AND TRAY ELLER-ARRANGEMENTS.

McClure's Arrangements have been made with the manufacturers by which we are enabled to reduce the price of these articles, so as to remove every obstacle to their immediate and general use. We will sell them until further notice at the following prices:

Chain complete with travellers, \$2.25
Chain without travellers, 1.50
Travellers without chain, 1.00

These prices place this valuable invention within the reach of all cartmen.

aug 18 JAS. F. CARLIN & SONS.

REMOVAL.

V. BECKER

Has removed to the new and handsome store, No. 112 KING STREET.

[Next door to the Marshall House.]

Where he will continue to sell all kinds of MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, including PIANOS, ORGANS, VIOLINS, GUITARS, BANJOS, &c., &c.

SHEET MUSIC, VIOLIN AND GUITAR STRINGS. Look for the sign of the "Big Violin."

aug 25

NEW MOSQUITO NETS & CANOPIES.

LACE AND SEAMLESS PATENT-FINISH GAUZE NETTING for the largest size Bedsteads.

NEW AND IMPROVED CANOPIES, the best and most complete Mosquito Net